

NAKAMURA *et al.*  
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of application Serial No. 08/565,101, filed November 30, 1995. Accordingly, the instant application has an effective U.S. filing date of November 30, 1995.

The secondary reference to Nakamura '307 has an effective U.S. filing date of November 16, 1996, and is commonly assigned with respect to the instant application. Therefore, Nakamura '307 does not constitute prior art against the instant application. Accordingly, reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejection are respectfully requested.

It is respectfully submitted that all of the pending claims are in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration of the application, and prompt allowance of the claims are earnestly solicited.

Should the Examiner deem that further issues require resolution prior to allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned attorney of record at the telephone number set forth below.

Respectfully submitted,

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